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TO AMEMBASSY MOSCOW

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SUBJECT:US-USSR MARINE RESOURCES COMPANY

1. AS EMBASSY IS AWARE FROM CORRESPONDENCE AND MEMORANDA FORWARDED EARLIER, DEPARTMENT IS ACTIVELY CONSIDERING POSSIBILITY OF ALLOWING A "SOVRYBFLOT" REPRESENTATIVE TO BE STATIONED IN BELLINGHAM, WASHINGTON, AS PART OF A JOINT FISHING VENTURE KNOWN AS THE US-USSR MARINE RESOURCES COMPANY. AS RECIPROCITY FOR RESIDENT SOVIET, US PARTNER HAD SUGGESTED THAT AN AMERICAN BUSINESS OFFICE IN NAKHODKA BE ESTABLISHED AND MANNED BY A US CITIZEN.

2. ON FEBRUARY 9, SOVIET EMBASSY COUNSELOR YURIY ZNAMENSKIY ADVISED DEPTOFF THAT SOVIET AUTHORITIES IN MOSCOW HAD DECIDED THAT AN AMERICAN REPRESENTATIVE OF THE JOINT VENTURE COULD RESIDE IN NAKHODKA AND GAVE ASSURANCES THAT A VISA

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WOULD BE ISSUED TO HIM UPON APPLICATION. HE ALSO SAID THAT THE MINISTRY OF FISH INDUSTRY HAS SENT AN ORDER TO AUTHORITIES IN NAKHODKA TO TRY TO FIND AN OFFICE FOR THE US REPRESENTATIVE.

3. BEFORE TELLING THE US DIRECTOR OF THE JOINT VENTURE THAT WE ARE PREPARED TO CONSIDER A VISA APPLICATION FOR A

SOVIET CITIZEN WHO WOULD BE RESIDENT IN BELLINGHAM, WE ARE

SEEKING CONGRESSIONAL VIEWS ON THE JOINT VENTURE AND THE
STATIONING OF THE "SOVRYBFLOT" REPRESENTATIVE. BEFORE
PROCESSING THE SOVIET VISA APPLICATION, WE WOULD ALSO
REQUIRE SOVIET ISSUANCE OF A VISA TO THE US REPRESENTATIVE
WHO WILL BE STATIONED IN NAKHODKA.

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